

Remarks

With entry of the present amendment, claims 1-20 remain pending in the application.

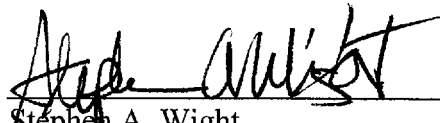
In the Office Action mailed September 12, 2007, restriction to one of the following groups of claims was required: Group I (claims 1-20); Group II (claims 21-32); Group III (claims 33-40); Group IV (claims 41-47); and Group V (claims 48-55). In response to the restriction, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I (claims 1-20) in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue patent protection of the remaining claim groups in divisional applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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